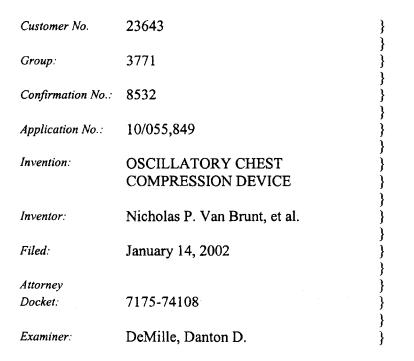
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## CONSENT OF ASSIGNEE TO REISSUE UNDER 37 § C.F.R. 1.172(a) AND CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The assignee of U.S. Patent No. 6,036,662 for which reissue is sought hereby consents to the reissue of the patent. The assignee is Hill-Rom Services, Inc. based on an assignment from the previous patent owner, Advanced Respiratory, Inc. whose name had been changed from American Biosystems, Inc.

The undersigned, who is Assistant Secretary of Hill-Rom Services, Inc., hereby states that he has authority to act for the assignee.

The undersigned further certifies that Hill-Rom Services, Inc. is the owner of U.S. Patent No. 6,036,662 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b).

The undersigned declares that he is authorized to execute this Certification on behalf of Hill-Rom Services, Inc., and further declares that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

- 1. The inventors, Nicholas P. Van Brunt and Donald J. Gagne, assigned U.S. Patent No. 6,036,662 to American Biosystems, Inc. as evidenced by the Assignment recorded in the Assignment Branch on March 16, 1998 beginning at Reel/Frame 009048/0132.
- 2. Subsequent to the Assignment from the inventors to American Biosystems, Inc., American Biosystems, Inc. changed its name to Advanced Respiratory, Inc. as evidenced by the Change of Name recorded in the Assignment Branch on April 18, 2002 beginning at Reel/Frame 012813/0277.
- 3. Subsequent to the name change of American Biosystems, Inc. to Advanced Respiratory, Inc., Advanced Respiratory, Inc. assigned U.S. Patent No. 6,036,662 to Hill-Rom Services, Inc. as evidenced by the Assignment recorded in the Assignment Branch on August 21, 2006 beginning at Reel/Frame 018207/0525.
- 4. Hill-Rom Services, Inc. is the effective owner and real party in interest of U.S. Pat. No. 6,036,662 for which reissue is sought.

Respectfully Submitted, Hill-Rom Services, Inc.

Date: March 19, 2007

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Assistant Secretary of Hill-Rom Services, Inc.